

Test: Lessons 1 and 2

I. Multiple Choice

Draw a circle around the word in parentheses that most appropriately completes each sentence.

1. In 1976 the United States of America celebrated its (bicentennial/ centenary/ monarchy/ monopoly).
2. Easter Island in the South Pacific is the site of many strange (monarchs/ monograms/ monoliths/ quadrants), massive stone heads, some of which are fifty feet high.
3. Catastrophic fires and plagues (bisected/ decimated/ monopolized/ trisected) the population in 17th-century London.
4. The "Chunnel," a tunnel under the English Channel, is the culmination of many years of (bilateral/ bipartisan/ bisected/ unilateral) cooperation between England and France.
5. Aeschylus's *Oresteia*, a sequence of three plays telling the story of the murderous House of Atreus, is the only surviving (quartet/ quatrain/ trilogy/ triumvirate) in Greek drama.
6. Loyal readers of Louisa May Alcott, who died in 1888, were eager to celebrate her (bicentennial/ centenary/ decathlon/ monologue) in 1988.

II. Questions

Circle the best answer to the following:

1. Which word might refer to a royal person? (decimation/ monarch/ quartet/ trisection)
2. Which one of the following words refers to human relations? (monogram/ monolith/ quadrant/ unanimity)
3. Which word is most likely to be used in a chemistry class? (bisect/ centigrade/ decimal/ quatrain)
4. Which word identifies spoken words? (centenary/ decade/ monologue/ universality)

III. Fill in the Blanks

In the space provided, write the number that the sentence requires.

1. The decathlon tests an athlete's prowess in _____ events.
2. The world-renowned Budapest String Quartet is made up of _____ musicians.
3. Binoculars have _____ set(s) of lenses.
4. A duplex is a single structure having _____ separate parts.
5. The boiling point on the centigrade scale is _____ degrees.

IV. Sentence Completions

In the space provided, write the letter of the word that best completes the sentence. Do not use any word more than once.

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| A. bisection | D. monologue | F. triumvirate |
| B. duplication | E. quatrain | G. unilateral |
| C. monogram | | |

1. Susan B. Anthony, Lucretia Mott, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton were a/an _____ of suffragists who led the movement for women's right to vote.
2. American poet Langston Hughes wrote this _____:
Life is for the living.
Death is for the dead.
Let life be like music
And death a note unsaid.
3. The _____ of Queen Elizabeth the Second, EIIR, is embroidered in gold thread on the red velvet curtain of the Royal Opera House in London.
4. In a _____ decision, the East Germans built a wall across Berlin in 1961.
5. Thoughtful preparation and frequent communication can help members of a committee avoid _____ of their efforts.